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PYRROLIDONOETHYL (METH) ACRYLATE CONTAINING PRESSURE

SENSITIVE ADHESIVE COMPOSITIONS

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR § 1.111

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Dear Sir:

This is in response to the outstanding Office Action, mailed August 26, 2003, in the above-identified application.

A separate Petition for Extension Of Time Under 37 CFR § 1.136(a) and authorization to charge the extension of time fee to Assignee's deposit account is included with this Amendment.

Applicants wish to thank Examiner for granting a telephone interview on December 3, 2003. In response to the Office Action mailed August 26, 2003 in which the Examiner rejected claims 1-30, Applicant respectfully submits the following remarks.

Per Examiner's request for clarification of the compounds, below are the chemical structures of the pyrrolidonoethyl methacrylate copolymer and the pyrrolidonoethyl acrylate copolymer.